

NJDEP and EPA Region 2 Drinking Water Meeting

February 7, 2018, 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Annotated Agenda

Conference call in:

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1. Introduction

2. Oversight and Coordination

- *Today we'd like to follow up on a number of issues that have been discussed at previous meetings. These issues include improving lead and copper rule compliance, unregulated contaminants, operator certification and EPA's annual drinking water program review.*
- *Going forward, we would like to reaffirm our partnership to protect public health by ensuring New Jersey drinking water systems are in compliance with the Safe Drinking Water Act. We're open to any suggestions from NJDEP that further this goal.*
- *Ideally, one of the outcomes of this meeting would be to develop an action plan that would lead to improvement in key areas (sanitary survey, GWUDI determinations, representative monitoring) so we can identify priority areas and track progress.*

3. Budget/Funding

- *We realize that budget uncertainty is tough to deal with – we are all in the same boat and on the same team.*

4. Drinking Water Rule Implementation

a. RTCR

- *Thank NJDEP for submission of RTCR Primacy Package – it is being reviewed by R2.*

b. Lead and Copper Rule:

- *NJDEP's action plan to address the LCR will be important to ensure compliance.*
- *We are pleased to see that evaluation of large systems was completed December 2016 and that NJDEP is committing resources to addressing this critical issue.*
- *We would like to offer support for LCR compliance related work including LSL replacement.*

c. Unregulated Contaminants

- *CWD commends New Jersey's initiative in developing standards for PFNA, PFOA and soon PFOS.*
- *CWD is thankful for NJDEP's responsiveness in providing information on PFAS sampling for R2 leadership. This is something that we need to continually track.*
- *We will assist if possible in the implementation of UCMR4.*

5. Operator Certification / Capacity Development / AWOP

- *NJDEP maintains routine submission Capacity Development and Operator Certification Annual Reports. This will be an area EPA will explore for improvements.*
- *Developing an Area Wide Optimization Plan is something that EPA believes can offer considerable benefit to the states. CWD can provide assistance.*

6. Implementation of the New Drinking Water Oversight Approach

- *EPA will be formalizing its approach to drinking water oversight with the goals of supporting state SDWA implementation, documenting how states integrate all aspects of the SDWA, and increasing knowledge and accountability.*
- *This approach is being rolled out nationally by the OW.*
- *In many ways it mimics the formalized review process that the SRF program uses- we want a nice report to document program successes and areas where improvement can be attained.*

7. Training Needs

- *EPA is committed to assisting in providing training to NJDEP if requested.*

8. Status of SDWIS Prime Adoption

- *CWD is very pleased with New Jersey's active engagement in the transition process with an anticipated start date of July 2019. CWD is available to assist should NJDEP encounter any roadblocks.*

9. GWUDI Evaluations

- *DECA has identified groundwater under the direct influence of surface water (GWUDI) evaluations as an area that NJDEP could improve. We believe that this can be address by improving the sanitary survey process.*

10. Sanitary Survey Improvement

- *Sanitary surveys are a critical tool to ensure compliance and to build future capacity at drinking water systems. CWD is eager to see NJDEP's draft strategy to improve sanitary survey.*

11. Representative Monitoring Policy

- *Representative monitoring is important – we need to know what sources are being used and when to make sure the data we do collect is accurate and reflective of the drinking water people are receiving. This is another key issue that will help both NJDEP and EPA better attain the goal of human health protection. We firmly believe that this is a solvable issue!*

12. SRF issues

- *DWSRF program is doing great – we need to update OAs from time to time to reflect the current state of the program.*

13. Summary of Agreements and Action Items

EPA Region 2 Participants:

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NJDEP Participants:

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New Jersey Q4 Lead ALEs

PWSID	PWS_NAME	POP.	PWS_TYPE	School_Ind	RESULT (mg/l)	RESULT (ppb)	FIRST_REPORTED	New or Repeat ALE
NJ0111310	THE RAMS HEAD INN	360	NTNCWS	N	0.0172	17.2	08-Dec-17	New
NJ0511348	CEDAR SQUARE SHOPPING CENTER	450	NTNCWS	N	0.13	130.0	08-Dec-17	New
NJ0714001	NEWARK WATER DEPARTMENT	273000	CWS	N	0.0332	33.2	08-Dec-17	Repeat
NJ1010311	SOUTH RIDGE COMMUNITY CHURCH	200	NTNCWS	Y	0.14	140.0	08-Dec-17	Repeat
NJ1022341	WALMART SUPERSTORE #5069	2536	NTNCWS	N	0.0188	18.8	08-Dec-17	New
NJ1107304	PRINCETON RIRIXIN SCHOOL	35	NTNCWS	Y	0.022	22.0	08-Dec-17	New
NJ1415002	KINNELON WATER DEPT	1001	CWS	N	0.0722	72.2	08-Dec-17	New
NJ1427302	SANDSHORE SCHOOL	518	NTNCWS	Y	0.0235	23.5	08-Dec-17	New
NJ1427364	ENVIRONMENTAL DEVELOPMENT ASSC	33	NTNCWS	N	3.214	3214.0	08-Dec-17	New
NJ1435001	HOFFMAN HOMES	120	CWS	N	0.061	61.0	08-Dec-17	New
NJ1530003	STAFFORD TWP MUA CEDAR B	224	CWS	N	0.077	77.0	08-Dec-17	New
NJ1615022	WOODLAND HEIGHTS HOMEOWNERS ASSOC	44	CWS	N	0.033	33.0	08-Dec-17	New
NJ1802313	ST JOHN ON THE MOUNTAIN	180	NTNCWS	N	0.0192	19.2	08-Dec-17	New